

REMARKS

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2 In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests
3 reconsideration and allowance of the subject application.

4 The Final Office Action of May 11, 2004 rejected various claims under 35
5 U.S.C. §102(b) and 35 U.S.C. §103(a). Applicant filed a Response to Final Office
6 Action of May 11, 2004.

7 The current Advisory Action of August 18, 2004, allows claim 1-8 and
8 maintains rejections of claims 9-30 and 32-49. Claims 9-30 and 32-49 are
9 canceled herein, without prejudice to Applicant's right to file a continuation
10 application on these and/or similar claims.

11 Accordingly, the application is placed in condition for allowance with
12 respect to all pending claims 1-8.
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2 **Conclusion**

3 All pending claims, 1-8, are in condition for allowance. Applicant
4 respectfully requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the present
5 application. Should any issue remain that prevents immediate issuance of the
6 application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney to
7 discuss the unresolved issue.
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11 Respectfully Submitted,

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13 Dated: 9/27/04

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